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The TERROR OF THE LABYRINTH!

NEARING THE SHORELINE OF THE AGE-OLD ISLAND OF CRETE...

I STILL THINK YOU'RE NUTS, JOHN... DRAGGING US ALL THE WAY HERE TO LOOK FOR A MONSTER THAT PROBABLY NEVER EXISTED IN THE FIRST PLACE!

BUT THINK, FRED! IF THE *MINOTAUR DID* EXIST IN THE UNDERGROUND WINDING PASSAGE-WAYS OF THE LABYRINTH... IT MIGHT MEAN A *LOT OF MONEY* TO US!

THE ANCIENT PRIESTS WHO WORSHIPPED THIS MONSTER MUST HAVE MADE MANY OFFERINGS TO IT! IF WE CAN FIND THE LABYRINTH, WE'LL ALSO FIND ENOUGH GOLD TO LAST US THE REST OF OUR LIVES!

IT MIGHT NOT BE EASY, JOHN! SOMEHOW, I FEEL THE TOWNSPEOPLE MIGHT NOT WANT TO COOPERATE!

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AND STEVE LOKUS WAS RIGHT! FOR WHEN THEY REACHED THE TOWN NEAREST WHERE THE LABYRINTH WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN ...

NO... I KNOW **NOTHING** ABOUT THE MINOTAUR!

IT IS FORBIDDEN TO TALK ABOUT THE MONSTER!

WHY DO YOU COME HERE WITH THESE QUESTIONS? LEAVE US IN PEACE!

AND AS THE DAYS PASSED...

WE'RE GETTING NOWHERE! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY EVERYONE IS SO **FRIGHTENED!**

YOU CAN TRY TO FIGURE IT OUT! AS FOR ME, I'M HEADING UPSTAIRS FOR A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP!

INN

BUT SLEEP, THAT NIGHT... FOR STEVE LOKUS... WAS A THING OF HORRIBLE DREAMS! AND THEN, IN THROUGH THE WINDOW....

SOME SIXTH SENSE CAUSED STEVE TO OPEN HIS EYES...

OHHHH! HELP! HELP!

ARGH!

IT'S **STEVE!** HURRY!

HE'S UNCONSCIOUS... AND THERE'S NOTHING HERE!

BUT LOOK, JOHN... ON HIS **FOREHEAD!**

THE... THE HEAD OF SOME **MONSTER!** WH-WHAT CAN IT MEAN?

BY MORNING, THE MYSTERY WAS NO CLOSER TO SOLUTION...

IT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN A DREAM! THIS HORRIBLE MARK ON MY FOREHEAD PROVES THAT!

OH, INN-KEEPER! COME HERE!

BUT WHEN THE INN-KEEPER SAW STEVE...

NO! I WILL NOT COME NEAR HIM! HE HAS BEEN MARKED BY THE EVIL ONE!

IT--IT MEANS HE WILL BE CLAIMED BY THE MINOTAUR!

YOU TWO STAY HERE! I'LL GO TALK TO HIM-- AND SEE IF I CAN FIND OUT WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!

THEN, FOR THE FIRST TIME, JOHN GRAVES HEARD A STORY ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE...

YES... THE CULT OF THE MINOTAUR STILL EXISTS! THERE IS A SECRET PRIESTHOOD IN OUR TOWN, AND ONCE EACH MONTH SOMEONE IS TAKEN AND SACRIFICED TO THE MINOTAUR!

DO YOU... DO YOU MEAN THE PEOPLE BELIEVE THE MONSTER IS STILL ALIVE?

YES... AND WHEN A MAN IS MARKED, AS YOUR FRIEND IS, THEN HE WILL BE THE NEXT VICTIM OF THE MINOTAUR! THE PRIESTS WILL TAKE HIM TO THE LABYRINTH TONIGHT!

THE LABYRINTH ...TONIGHT! THAT COULD BE VERY INTEREST-ING!

JOHN TOLD STEVE NOTHING OF WHAT HE'D DISCOVERED! THAT NIGHT, HE AND FRED WAITED OUTSIDE THE INN ... HIDING ...

DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD HAVE WARNED STEVE? IT DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT!

QUIET, FRED--I SEE SOME LIGHTS! IT MUST BE THE SECRET CULT APPROACH-ING!

AS THEY WATCHED, THE WEIRD CULT STOPPED UNDER STEVE'S WINDOW...

COME, O MIGHTY MINOTAUR! BRING YOUR SACRIFICE TO US!

COME! COME!

GOOD HEAVENS! LOOK AT THAT MIST APPEARING OUT OF NOWHERE!

AND... AND IT'S FORMING INTO A **HEAD** ... JUST LIKE THE MARK ON STEVE'S FOREHEAD!

IT... IT'S GOING INTO STEVE'S WINDOW! WE'VE GOT TO **STOP** IT!

DON'T BE A FOOL! STAY HERE WITH ME!

AND... MINUTES LATER...

HE IS HERE! THE SACRIFICE HAS COME!

NOW TO THE LABYRINTH!

STEVE LOKUS SEEMED AS THOUGH POSSESSED BY ANOTHER BEING! WITH HIM LEADING THE WAY, THE REST TURNED, AND STARTED A HORRIBLE PROCESSION THROUGH THE TOWN...

BUT YOU **CAN'T** JUST SACRIFICE STEVE TO THEM!

DON'T YOU **SEE**? THEY'RE TAKING HIM TO THE **LABYRINTH!** WE'LL FOLLOW... AND THEN WE'LL KNOW WHERE ALL THEIR **GOLD** IS!

THE FLAMING TORCHES LED THE WAY TO THE BASE OF A CLIFF! ONCE THERE...

LOOK, JOHN... THEY'RE PUSHING ASIDE A BOULDER! THERE'S A CAVE-OPENING THERE!

YES... IT MUST BE THE ENTRANCE TO THE **LABYRINTH!** WE'LL FOLLOW THEM IN!

I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING, JOHN...

SURE I DO! BUT WE MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO LOSE SIGHT OF THEM! THERE ARE SO MANY TWISTS AND TURNS IN THIS PLACE, THAT WE'D **NEVER** FIND OUR WAY OUT ALONE!

THROUGH THE WINDING PASSAGEWAYS THEY WENT, WITH FRED AND JOHN ALWAYS CLOSE BEHIND, UNTIL...

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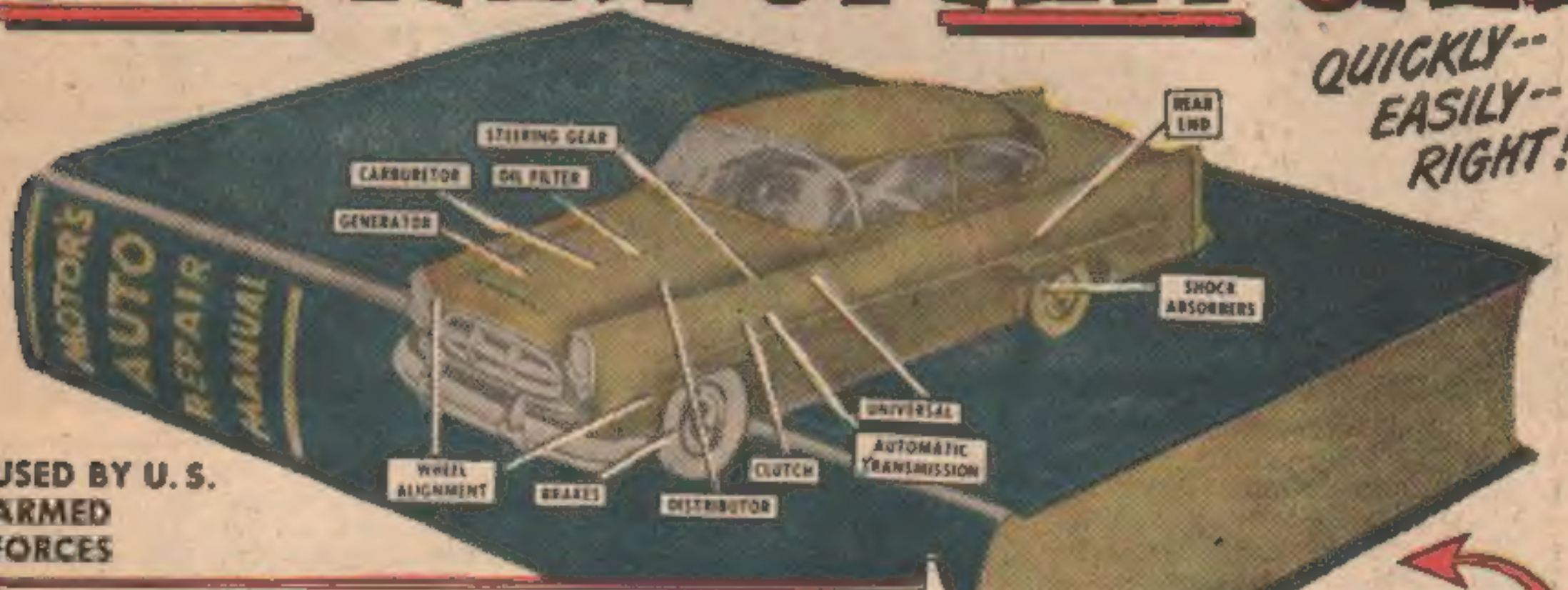

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THE NEW ONES... THEY'RE DEAD! THEY'RE WALKING DEAD!

FRED! THEY'LL HEAR YOU!

OUTSIDERS...SPIES! THEY HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING US! KILL THEM!

IT WAS A RACE AGAINST DEATH...IN AND OUT OF THE WINDING PASSAGEWAYS....

I...I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH FURTHER I CAN RUN!

QUICK! INTO THIS PASSAGEWAY AT THE RIGHT! MAYBE WE CAN LOSE THEM HERE!

THEY'RE GOING BY! THEY DON'T KNOW WE'RE HERE!

THANK GOODNESS!

WE'LL HAVE SOME JOB FINDING OUR WAY OUT NOW!

YOU CANNOT LEAVE...NOT WITHOUT HELPING US FIRST!

AS THE TWO MEN WHIRLED IN SUDDEN TERROR...

THE...THE WALKING DEAD!

YOU MUST HELP US!

WH-WHO ARE YOU? WHAT DO YOU WANT OF US?

WE ARE THE SPIRITS OF ALL THOSE WHO, THROUGH THE AGES, HAVE BEEN SACRIFICED TO THE MINOTAUR! WE ARE CONDEMNED TO WANDER HERE, THROUGH THE LABYRINTH, UNTIL SOMEONE RELEASES US BY **DESTROYING THE MONSTER!**

I...I'LL HELP YOU! BUT HOW? HOW CAN THE MONSTER BE DESTROYED?

ONLY BY **FIRE!**

THE CULT IS RETURNING! WE MUST DEPART!

AS SUDDENLY AS THEY HAD APPEARED, THE WEIRD, GHOSTLY BEINGS VANISHED! JOHN AND FRED PRESSED THEMSELVES INTO A CREVICE, AND...

LOOK! THEY... THEY STILL HAVE STEVE!

YES! THEY MUST BE TAKING HIM TO THE SACRIFICE NOW! WE'LL HAVE TO FOLLOW...TRY TO DESTROY THE MINOTAUR!

DOWN THEY WENT...EVER DOWNWARD...UNTIL THE VERY FLOOR BENEATH THEM WAS COVERED WITH DRIPPING SLIME! THEN, AT LAST....

LOOK! THEY'RE LEAVING THEIR TORCHES THERE BEFORE THEY ENTER THAT CAVERN!

THEN THAT MUST BE WHERE THE **MINOTAUR** IS!

LOOK AT THIS PLACE! I CAN'T **BELIEVE** IT!

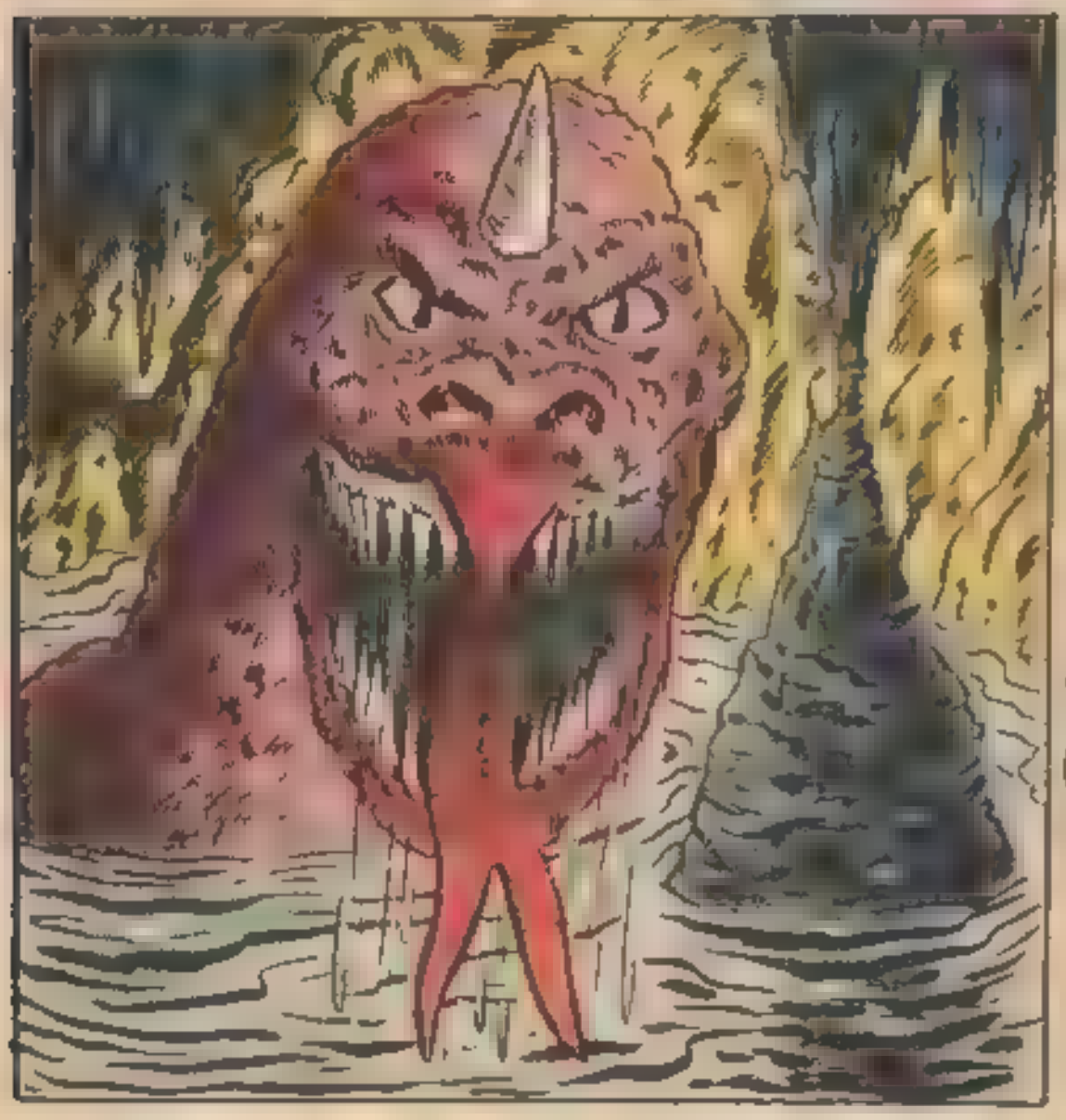
WAIT--THE LEADER OF THE CULT IS ABOUT TO SPEAK!

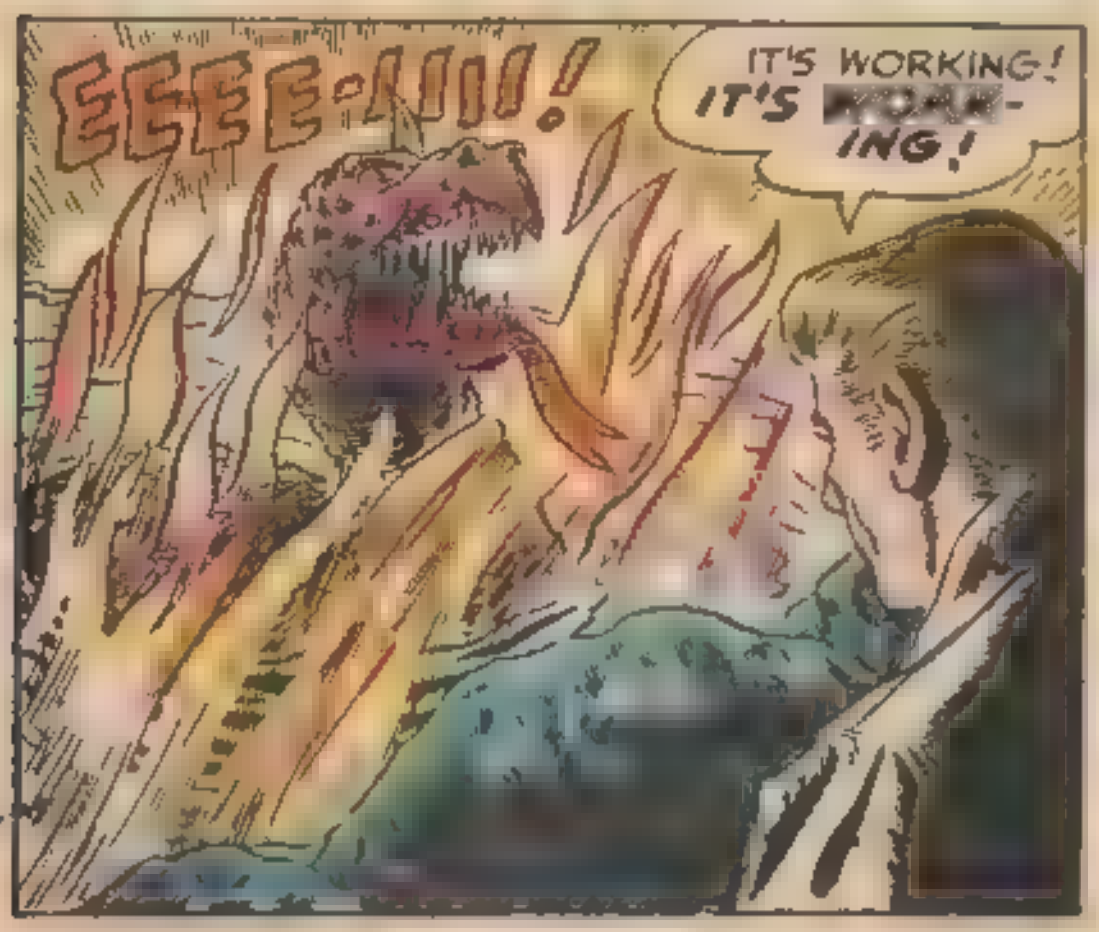
COME TO US, O MINOTAUR! THE SACRIFICE IS HERE... AND AWAITS YOU!

SOMETHING'S--COMING UP OUT OF THE POOL!

I...I'M ALMOST AFRAID TO SEE WHAT IT IS!

AND THEN IT APPEARED! THE MONSTER... SYMBOL OF EVIL THROUGHOUT THE AGES... THE HORRIBLE CREATURE THAT LIVED IN THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH... **THE MINOTAUR!**





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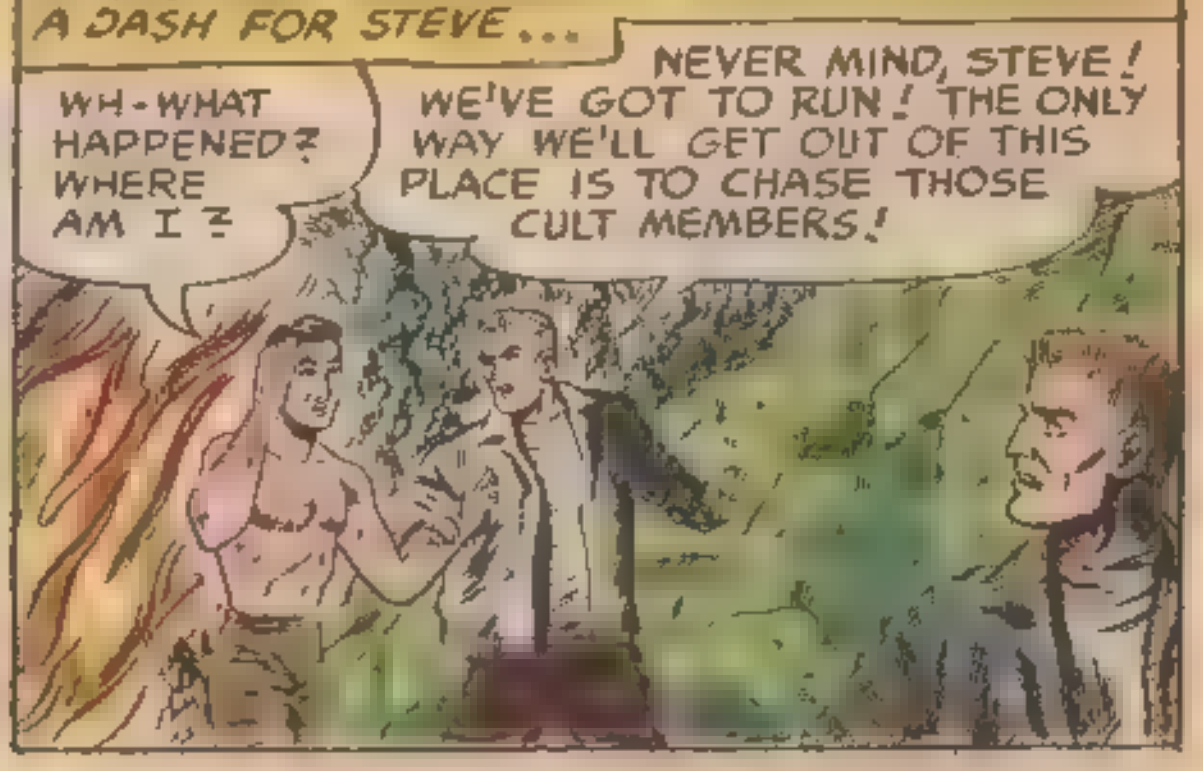

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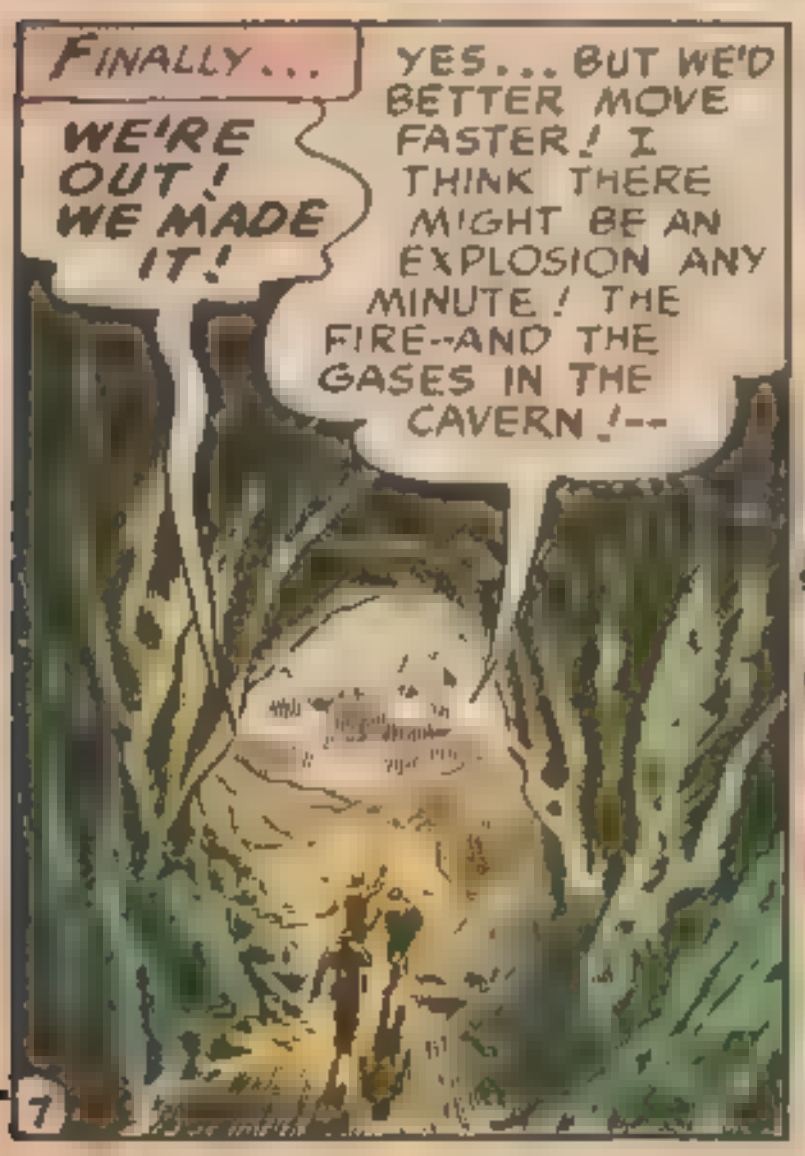

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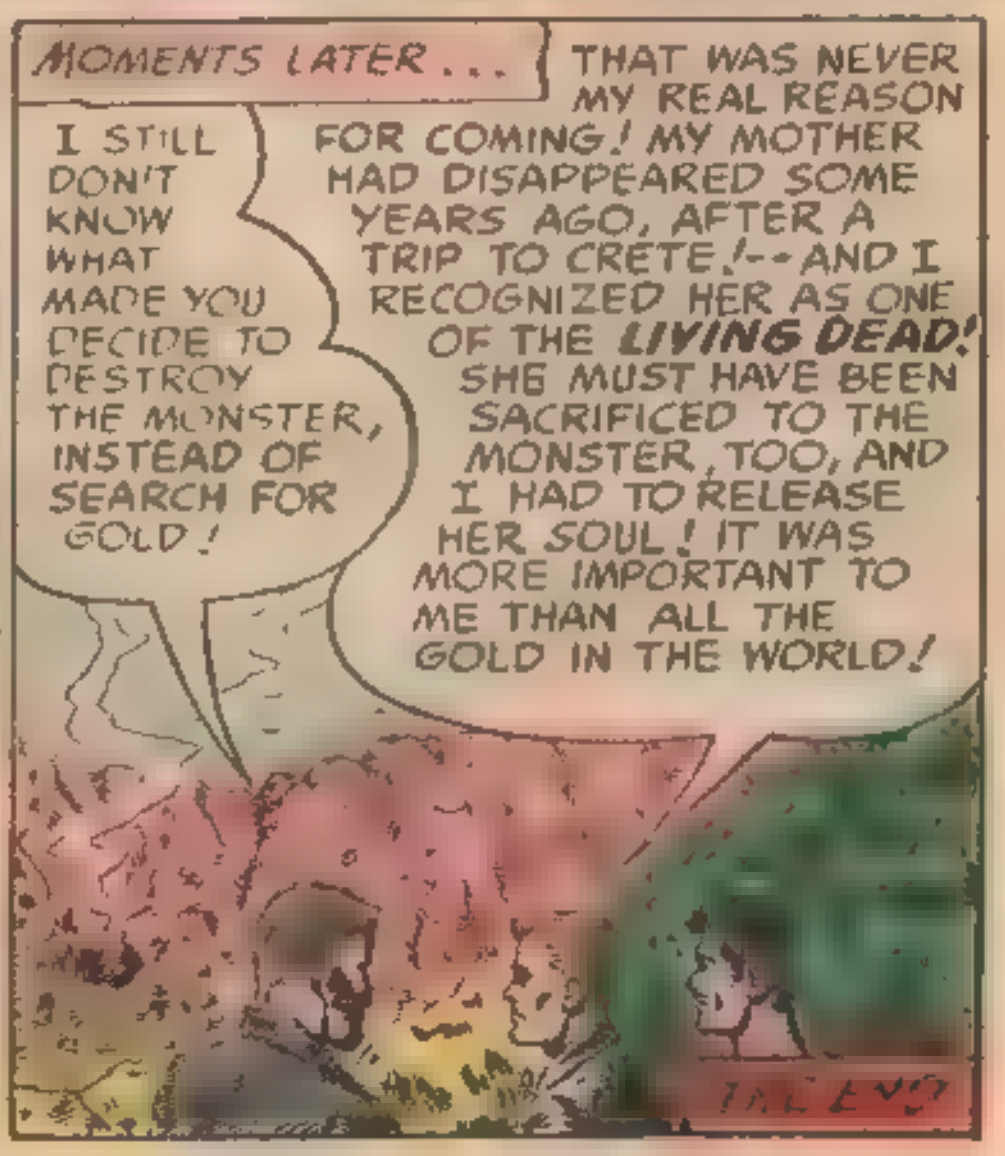

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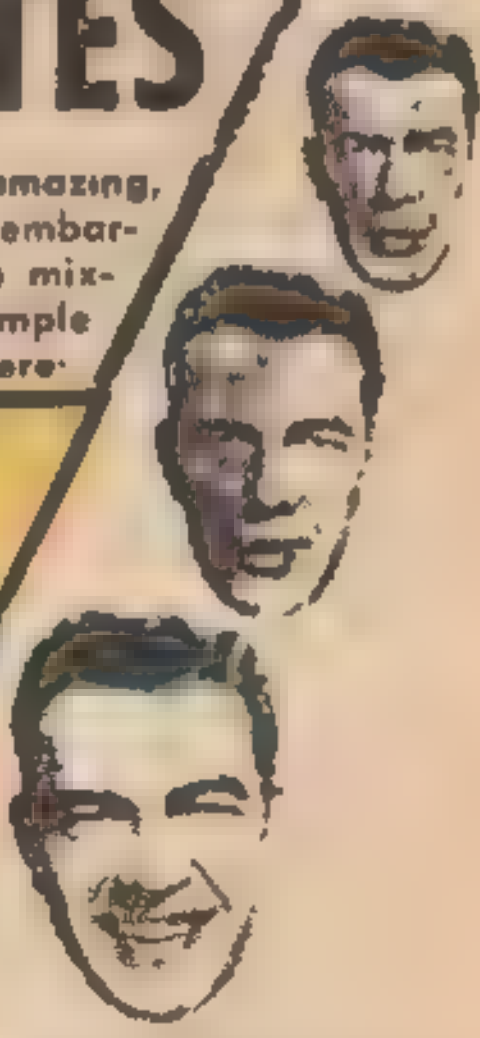

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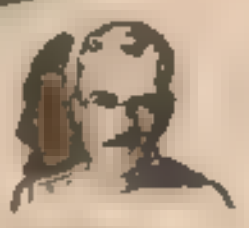

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GUILLAUMO FERMI was a sorcerer—but people of 16th century Florence did not fear him. On the contrary, they reverenced him, because he used his magical arts for their good. But there was one person who hated him—Baroni, the moneylender. He hated him because the old sorcerer condemned him for the usurious rates of interest he charged—had, in fact, used his sorcery to enter Baroni's home and secure evidence of his illegal practices. The evidence had been handed over to the authorities, who had arrested the offender, fining him heavily for usury. Guillaumo Fermi was lauded on every side for his act—but he wasn't satisfied. Baroni, he said, was a man of evil who would go on stealing till the end of his days, and therefore the sorcerer was determined never to rest until Baroni was jailed.

Small wonder that Baroni hated him—and Baroni's hatred was a thing to fear. Within him there burned a lust for revenge. And within a few days, the whispers spread throughout Florence. Guillaumo Fermi had disappeared! Investigation proved that this was a fact, and that quantities of fresh blood had seeped into the flooring of his bedroom. What other conclusion that murder—and what other suspect than Baroni? Specially when a large and heavy cleaver with a peculiarly-nicked blade, found in Baroni's home, bore unmistakable traces of blood. Baroni didn't deny it, but produced the body of a hog he had just slaughtered, claiming that this accounted for the blood. Yes, he admitted coolly, he had hated the sorcerer—what about it? How can you prove a murder without a body—let alone pin it on *him?*

It was true, and the matter might have rested there—except for a strange paper which was found at that time among Guillaumo Fermi's effects. "*It shall come to pass that I died by violence,*" it read, "*but my dead flesh shall speak in letters of flame, and cry out the name of him who struck me down!*" What did it mean? Nobody knew—except that this was further evidence of the sorcerer's supernatural power. If he had been able to foresee his own death, who knew but that his magic might make the rest of his prediction come true?

People wondered—then gave up wondering, and the case was forgotten. Then, suddenly, a mysterious fire burned the sorcerer's old house to the ground. Then another fire damaged Baroni's home. An old oak was blasted by flames—and the mysterious conflagrations broke out in several other quarters. And nowhere was there a reason for the fire! A supernatural agency was at work, it was felt—and then somebody recalled the old sorcerer's prophesy. "*My dead flesh shall speak in letters of flame,*" it had said—could there be a connection? In an effort to find out, the police dug under the ashes of Guillaumo Fermi's house—and uncovered the remnants of his severed head. The earth under the old oak yielded his arms, and various parts of his body were discovered beneath the site of every strange fire. It ended with his torso being unearthed under the flooring of Baroni's home.

The letters of flame had spoken—had cried aloud from beyond the gates of death! Taken into custody, Baroni still protested his innocence—until his cleaver was brought forth in evidence against him. When it was demonstrated conclusively that its peculiarly-notched blade matched perfectly the brutal scars in the segments of dead flesh that had once been Guillaumo Fermi, the case was complete. And so it was that Baroni died screaming on the block—his guilty deed proclaimed in fire!

MR. PROFESSOR AND THE PIXIE!

ISN'T HE *TERRIFIC?* OTHER COLLEGES MAY HAVE FOOTBALL TEAMS AND BIG ENDOWMENTS--BUT *WE'VE* GOT PROFESSOR DOBBINS!

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WHAT IN BLAZES...! WHO ARE *YOU?*

I'M A *PIXIE!* I'VE JUST ARRIVED BY WAY OF THE SPIRIT BEAM!

I'M TIRED OF THE SPIRIT WORLD--I WANT TO BECOME A *HUMAN!* AND THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY IT CAN HAPPEN--*I'VE GOT TO FIND SOMEONE WHO'LL FALL IN LOVE WITH ME!*

AND YOU'VE PICKED ME?

. YOU SEE, DOBBINS--I PLEADED AND PLEADED WITH THE SUBLIME CREEP--AND HE'S GIVEN ME ***THREE NIGHTS*** IN WHICH TO WIN OVER A HUMAN HEART! IF I FAIL-- I'LL HAVE TO STAY IN THE SPIRIT WORLD FOR ***GOOD!***

HOLD IT .. NOT SO FAST! WHO IN THUNDER IS ***THE SUBLIME CREEP?***

OH, HE'S THE BIG CHEESE OF THE SPIRIT WORLD! ***HE'S*** THE ONE WHO DISPATCHES MONSTERS AND VAMPIRES AND WHATNOT--AND NOT EVEN THE TEENIEST IMP CAN LEAVE THE SPIRIT WORLD WITHOUT HIS SAY-SO!

I TRAINED THE SPIRIT BEAM ON SMATHERS COLLEGE BECAUSE IT'S EASIER TO HIDE AMONG ALL THESE GIRLS! AND AS FOR PICKING ***YOU***— WHO WOULDN'T?

COMPLETELY OUT OF THE QUESTION! AND PLEASE STOP TICK-LING MY FACE WITH YOUR WINGS!

AT THAT MOMENT--

I'VE WORKED OVER THESE FIGURES FOR HOURS--***AND SMATHERS COLLEGE IS IN A TERRIBLE FINANCIAL PICKLE!*** NO MATTER HOW LATE IT IS, I'VE GOT TO SEE DOBBINS--MAYBE ***HE*** CAN SUGG[illegible] A WAY TO KEEP US FROM DISASTER!

DEAN'S OFFI[illegible] DR. J. T. CRABTREE PRIVATE

YES...DOBBINS IS A BRAINY YOUNG FELLOW! ***HE'LL*** FIND A SOLUTION!

LOOK, PIXIE-- I'VE GOT A BATCH OF PAPERS TO CORRECT! WILL YOU ***PLEASE*** FADE BACK INTO THE SPIRIT WORLD?

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO GET RID OF ME, DOBBINS! PUT YOUR HAT ON SIDE-WAYS--STAND ON A CHAIR--AND SAY ***"I LOST THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO!"*** THREE TIMES!

SOUNDS CRAZY-- BUT I'LL TRY ANYTHING!

I LOST THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO-- I LOST THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO--

YOU'RE DOING FINE, DOBBINS! AND ***I'M*** KEEPING MY PROMISE-- ***UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT!***

--I LOST THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO! --AH! SHE'S GONE!

DOBBINS! MY STARS!-- ARE YOU AS DAFFY AS YOU LOOK?

DR. CRABTREE-- I JUST HAD A HIGHLY DIS-AGREEABLE VISITOR!

WHO WAS IT, DOBBINS-- THE EMPRESS JOSEPHINE?

NO-- I'M SERIOUS! SEEMS THE *SUBLIME CREEP* HAS WISHED A *PIXIE* ON ME!

OH-- *THAT'S* WHAT YOU MEAN! WELL, WELL!

WHAT A BLOW! THANK HEAVEN POOR DOBBINS ISN'T THE VIOLENT TYPE!

STRANGE-- DR. CRABTREE OBVIOUSLY HAD SOMETHING TO TELL ME! HE'S GETTING ABSENT-MINDED--NOT TO SAY *PECULIAR!*

NEXT MORNING--AT AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES--

DOBBINS IS OUR BEST PROFESSOR!

BUT ADDLED BY OVERWORK!

LET *ME* BREAK THE NEWS TO HIM, GENTLEMEN!

OBVIOUSLY NUTS!

YOU MEAN I'M BEING *FIRED* AT THE END OF THE WEEK? BUT MY GOSH, DR. CRABTREE-- *WHY?*

I TRIED TO EXPLAIN LAST NIGHT, DOBBINS! SMATHERS COLLEGE IS ON THE ROPES-- *WE'RE COMPLETELY OUT OF FUNDS!*

GOLLY-- I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH *ME!* HOW MUCH MONEY DO WE NEED?

WE NEED *OODLES!* FAR MORE THAN YOU COULD EVER RAISE, I'M AFRAID!

I DON'T CARE *WHAT* THEY SAY-- I *DON'T BELIEVE HE'S OFF HIS TROLLEY!*

IF WE ONLY HAD SOME WAY TO *PROVE* IT!

THE COLLEGE MAY BE BROKE-- BUT *I'M* THE ONLY PROFESSOR THEY'RE FIRING! THE MORE I LOOK AT IT-- *THE MORE I THINK IT'S THE PIXIE'S DOING!*

THERE'S THE SPIRIT BEAM AGAIN! THIS TIME I'M GOING TO GRAB THAT LITTLE HOODOO BEFORE SHE JUMPS OUT-- *AND HUSTLE HER RIGHT BACK TO THE SUBLIME CREEP!*

GOTCHA!

YUUUGH!

YIPE!

YAAAARRRK!

GRASH

IT'S COMING AFTER ME! I CAN'T REACH THE DOOR-- I'LL HAVE TO CLIMB OUT ON THE LEDGE!

OHH-- LOOK!

PROFESSOR DOBBINS-- DON'T DO IT! DON'T JUMP!

DON'T TRY TO END IT ALL-- BECAUSE YOU CAN'T STAND THE THOUGHT OF LEAVING US! WE'RE GOING TO HELP YOU!

OMIGOSH-- THEY'LL HAVE THE WHOLE CAMPUS IN AN UPROAR! I'D RATHER FACE THE MONSTER!

THERE'S ANOTHER SPIRIT BEAM! WHAT'S IT BRINGING THIS TIME?

YOK!

THE PIXIE!

OH, MY GOODNESS! I KNEW THERE WAS A FOUL-UP AT THE OTHER END!

THE VERY IDEA-- GOING AROUND AND MAKING PEOPLE NERVOUS! SCRAM--FADE-- GET BACK TO THE SPIRIT WORLD!

YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE THE SUBLIME CREEP, DOBBINS! BUT WHAT WITH DISPATCHING A VAMPIRE HERE AND A HAUNTIN' SPOOK THERE--HE SOMETIMES BOBBLES THINGS!

OH, SURE! PERFECTLY NATURAL!

PIXIE--I'M LOSING MY JOB! THERE SEEMS TO BE A GROWING BELIEF THAT I'VE GOT BATS IN MY BELFRY!

I KNOW... I WANTED IT TO HAPPEN!

I THOUGHT IF YOU LOST YOUR JOB AND GOT AWAY FROM ALL THESE PRETTY GIRLS... YOU MIGHT TAKE A SHINE TO *ME!*

SO *THAT'S* IT!

NOW LOOK HERE! SMATHERS COLLEGE IS OUT OF FUNDS -- *I'M* OUT OF A JOB -- AND THIS IS NO PLACE FOR PIXIES! WILL YOU PLEASE TELL THE SUBLIME CREEP TO ROUTE YOU SOMEWHERE ELSE?

IT'S TOO LATE NOW... I'LL *NEVER* FIND ANYONE TO LOVE ME!

SECONDS LATER:--

A HUGE DEMONSTRATION TO PROTEST AGAINST DOBBINS' DISMISSAL! I'D BETTER SPEAK TO HIM -- MAYBE WE *HAVE* BEEN A BIT HASTY!

THE GIRLS ARE PLANNING

THERE SHE GOES -- BACK ALONG THE SPIRIT BEAM!

ROOM 304

OH... HELLO THERE, DR. CRABTREE! BEFORE YOU BEGIN -- IF THE GIRLS THINK I HAD SUICIDE IN MIND TONIGHT, THEY'RE ENTIRELY MISTAKEN!

I'M GREATLY RELIEVED TO HEAR *THAT,* DOBBINS!

I KNOW IT *LOOKED* BAD -- BUT AS A MATTER OF FACT, THERE WAS A *MONSTER* CHASING ME AROUND THE ROOM!

THE FOLLOWING NIGHT

WE WANT DOBBINS!

THE BIG DEMONSTRATION IS JUST AN HOUR AWAY! CAMPUS CLUTTERED WITH REPORTERS... GIRLS MILLING AROUND WITH TORCHES... I'M GETTING TO MY QUARTERS AND *STAYING* THERE!

IT WON'T BE SMATHERS WITHOUT DOBBINS

WELL...THIS IS THE TIME THE PIXIE SHOWS UP-- AND SHE HASN'T COME! GOSH--I WONDER IF THE SUBLIME CREEP **WILL** F ND HER SOMEONE ELSE?

CAESAR'S GHOST! THERE'S THE SPIRIT BEAM--STREAKING DOWN TOWARD THE MAIN DORMITORY!

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NOW THAT DR. CRABTREE'S **POSITIVE** THAT THE PROFESSOR HAS A SCREW LOOSE--***HOW CAN WE SAVE HIS JOB?***

DOBBINS DEMONSTRATION COMMITTEE

IT LOOKS HOPELESS--BJT WE'VE **GOT** TO GO AHEAD WITH THE MONSTER DEMONSTRATION!

MONSTER DEMONSTRATION! OH, CRIKEY--THAT'S TOO GOOD AN IDEA TO WASTE ON ***AMATEURS!***

HINKY-DINK--YOU'RE STARTIN' TO WINK! HEEPA DEEP--YOU'RE ALL ASLEEP! THAT'S ORDERS FROM THE SUBLIME CREEP!

YEP... I'VE GOT EVERY ONE OF THE STUDENTS IN A TRANCE! NOW--LET'S SEE IF I CAN GET THE SUBLIME CREEP TO ***CO-OPERATE!***

THE CAMPUS GOT MIGHTY QUIET ALL OF A SUDDEN! WHAT'S THAT LITTLE MINX BEEN UP TO?

MINUTES LATER--

WOOOSH! WOOOSH!

GOOD GRIEF--WHAT'S GOING ON? THERE ARE ***DOZENS*** OF SPIRIT BEAMS--***LANDING ALL OVER THE CAMPUS!***

THEN--THINGS BEGAN HAPPENING FAST!

NICE GOIN'--WE GOT HERE JUST AHEAD OF THAT CREW FROM THE ATLANTIC TELEVISION SYSTEM!

BROTHER--LOOK AT THAT MOB! WHAT A SPECTACLE!

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BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND! IT'S JUST AN ORDINARY STUDENT DEMONSTRATION!

YOU MEAN YOU HAVEN'T SEEN IT YET? EVERY ONE OF THOSE GIRLS IS WEARING A HORRIBLE DISGUISE--IT'S TERRIFIC!

JIVE IT UP! AND DON'T FORGET THAT WORD I TAUGHT YOU!

DOBBINS!

DOBBINS!

DOBBINS!

WHY BLESS MY SOUL--I SEE IT ALL NOW! NO WONDER DOBBINS SAW MONSTERS AND PIXIES--THE GIRLS WERE PLAYING A JOKE ON HIM! WE'VE DONE THE POOR CHAP A TERRIBLE INJUSTICE!

YES, I KNOW YOU FIXED THINGS, PIXIE--AND I'M GRATEFUL! BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE--IT'S INSANE--DO YOU REALIZE WHAT A COLLEGE PROFESSOR EARNS?

I COULD ALWAYS GET A DEFENSE JOB--ANDY! PLEASE--CLOSE YOUR EYES--FOR JUST A SECOND!

AND WHEN THAT STRANGE AND WONDERFUL SECOND PASSED--

MY GOSH--YOUR WINGS ARE GONE! YOU'VE CHANGED!

DIDN'T I SAY I WOULD ...ONCE YOU DECIDED TO MARRY ME?

SO THE WEDDING BELLS RANG OUT--AND A YEAR LATER--

ISN'T HE A LITTLE IMP? ISN'T HE THE PERFECT LITTLE DEVIL?

HONEY, WOULD YOU MIND CALLING HIM A SCAMP--AND LETTING IT GO AT THAT?

The End

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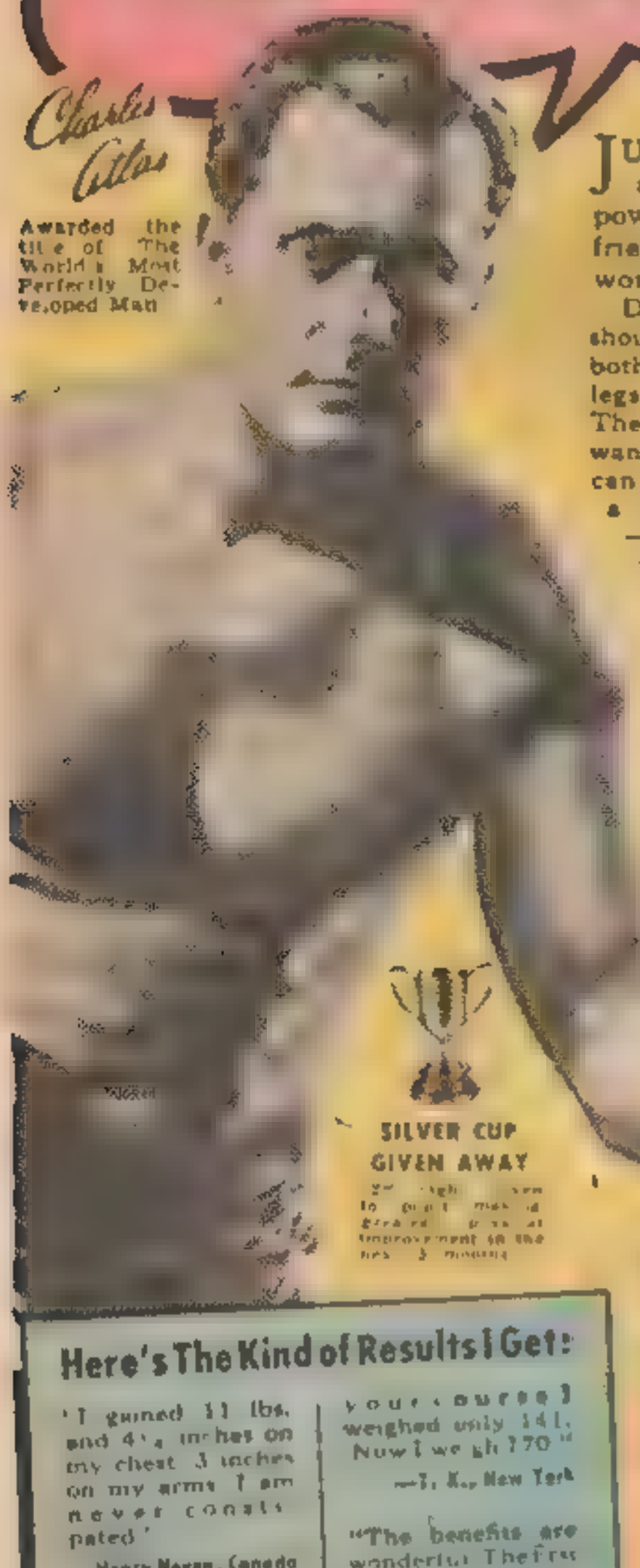

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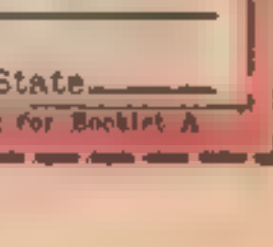

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Well! It looks as if the hall is bulging with enthusiastic members of our fan club—all loyal supporters of yours and our favorite comics magazine—*"Out of The Night"!* All gathered to hear our short, impromptu talk on *superstition and terror.* All set? Okay—listen to what we've got to say, and if you don't agree, speak up—we'll be glad to get your letters!

Superstition *is* terror—a blind fear of unknown forces. And like all blind, unreasoning fears, it can be destructive. When it saddles one's life, we have a good example of the damage that ignorance can cause. It should be eradicated—there are no two ways about it. This attitude on our part may occasion surprise in many quarters. "Don't you make a *living* out of superstition?" may be the question. We have a prompt answer for it. No, we don't make our profits from actual belief in the creatures of the unknown—but through the sheer entertainment which we provide in publishing tense, challenging stories, which, although their background frequently deals with the supernatural, have as their sole purpose to thrill and entertain. We don't for one moment claim that zombies, vampires and werewolves really exist—but as long as imagination can conjure up such tense and wonderful tales, let us by all means bring them to *you*, our readers!

Thrilling and imaginative stories—that's what *"Out of The Night"* has always brought you—and will continue to do! Always, we will be on the alert to feature only the best in exciting narrative. And *here's* news that may interest you! We've conducted our own little private survey into just what you, the reader, would like to see in future issues. And we've decided to include examples of the shocker-ending type of story, wherein suspense builds to a dramatic pitch, and a terrific surprise finish brings you right out of your seats! Watch this magazine for outstanding examples of this great story trend—and meanwhile, send in your votes on the fine *traditional* types of stories which this present issue features. What do you think of *"The Terror of The Labyrinth"*—a tense tale of a monster that rose out of the ancient legends which enshrouded it? Then, for a change of pace, we offer *"The Professor and The Pixie"*—a *gay* spook story that'll thrill as it amuses! Then, there's *The Fantastic Fan,"* an absorbing and challenging yarn that packs a supernatural kick—from start to finish! We think they all add up into a banner issue, but what do *you* think? Address your letter to The Editor, *"Out of The Night,"* 45 West 45th Street, New York 36, N. Y. Meanwhile, let's see what some of our *other* readers think!

"Dear Editor:-

I've just finished reading *'Out of The Night,'* and I think it's great! Oh, if only we could have more magazines like this—with stories such as you carry! Some of my recent favorites were *'The Amazing Ray'* and *'Process of Elimination.'* I've been one of your fans for a long time, and like your magazine best of all the supernaturals on the stands. Thrilling—exciting—what more could I ask?

—Purcell Kendall, Baltimore, Md."

"Dear Editor:-

It was by accident that I happened to pick up my first copy of *'Out of The Night,'* and I thoroughly enjoyed it. It's far better and more exciting than others I've read in the same field. Keep up the good work!

—Mrs. Mary Lowe, Los Animas, Colo."

"Dear Editor:-

I like spooky stories—and that's why I like *'Out of The Night!'* Your pictures are beautifully drawn, and sometimes seem to be almost alive. And your writers sure have got imagination! That's what makes yours the best magazine out! Congratulations!

—T. R. Brice, Brooklyn, N. Y."

THREE YEARS AGO, AN EVENT OCCURRED IN WYOMING WHICH HAS ALREADY BECOME FAMOUS IN OCCULT ANNALS! THE EERIE EVENT CONCERNED A···

HUNTING RIFLE!

JOHN CARLYLE'S CATTLE RANCH

WE FOUND HIM UP IN THE HILLS, MRS. CARLYLE···DEAD A COUPLE OF HOURS! PUMA TRACKS ALL OVER THE PLACE!

HIS GUN HERE WAS LYIN' BESIDE HIM··HE NEVER EVEN HAD A CHANCE TO FIRE!

I-I TOLD JOHN NOT TO GO AFTER THAT MOUNTAIN LION! YOU MEN HAVE BEEN TRYING TO KILL OLD PAINTER FOR YEARS···AND HE KEEPS PICKING YOU OFF ONE BY ONE! IT'S NOT AN ANIMAL ···IT'S A ***DEVIL!***

AT THE FUNERAL···

I-I SWEAR IT ON DAD'S GRAVE···I'LL NEVER REST TILL I ***KILL*** OLD PAINTER!.

WHEN THE MOURNING PERIOD WAS OVER·

NO USE TRYIN' TO TALK ME OUT OF IT, MA ···I'M GONNA KILL THAT CRITTER! ***GIMME DAD'S GUN!***

NO, JOHNNY· ***NO!*** ISN'T IT ENOUGH YOUR ***FATHER'S*** DEAD? THAT GUN'LL NEVER LEAVE THIS HOUSE AGAIN··· UNLESS IT'S OVER MY DEAD BODY!

NEXT DAY, IN THE NEARBY TOWN·

IT'S AS FINE A WINCHESTER AS YOU'LL FIND IN THE STATE, JOHNNY···BUT···ER··DOES YOUR MAW KNOW ABOUT THIS?

WOMENFOLK DON'T ***UNDER-STAND*** THESE THINGS!

THE BOY PUT HIS RESOLVE INTO ACTION IMMEDIATELY···

TOOK ALL MY SAVIN'S TO GET THIS WINCHESTER ···BUT IT'S WORTH IT! I AIN'T GOIN' HOME WITH·· OUT OLD PAINTER'S ***HIDE!***

NEXT INSTANT---

GAARGH!

JUMPIN' BLUE BLAZES!

THE GUN WAS KNOCKED OUT OF THE BOY'S HAND INSTANTLY!

I-I CAN'T HOLD IT OFF!

ARR-R-RRR!

DEATH WOULD HAVE COME SOON, BUT...

S-SIMMERIN' SAGEBRUSH --- IT'S DAD!

R'RROW!

BAM! BAM!

DAD--- WAIT! I'VE GOT TO TALK TO YOU! GOSH ---HE'S DISAPPEAR-ING!

THE BOY'S STORY TRAVELED AROUND THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRY LIKE WILDFIRE' WHEN THE SHERIFF INVESTIGATED---

THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENED, SHERIFF! IT WAS **DAD'S GHOST**--- FIRING HIS OWN RIFLE! THE SAME ONE THERE ON THE WALL!

BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THAT RIFLE HASN'T BEEN OUT OF THE HOUSE!

MEBBE SO MRS CARLYLE -- BUT **SOMEBODY** SHOT THAT PUMA! I TOOK TWO SLUGS OUTA THAT CRITTER'S CARCASS---**SAME GAUGE AS THIS RIFLE!** COULD BE I'M LOCO-- BUT I'M HAVIN' A **BALLISTICS EXPERT** CHECK THIS!

ONE WEEK LATER--INCREDIBLE NEWS!

THE BULLETS THAT KILLED OLD PAINTER CAME FROM **THIS RIFLE,** MRS CARLYLE---**NO QUESTION ABOUT IT!** ONLY ANSWER IS THAT JOHN CAME BACK FROM DEATH ITSELF---TO SAVE HIS ONLY SON FROM THE SAME CLAWS AND FANGS THAT KILLED **HIM!**

THE END!

The FANTASTIC FAN

WHO KNOWS HOW MUCH EVIL LIES BURIED DEEP WITHIN EVERY HUMAN HEART? WHO KNOWS WHAT GHASTLY CRIMES EACH OF US IS CAPABLE OF--- IF ONCE WE YIELD TO TEMPTATION? HERE'S THE STARTLING ANSWER--- IN A WEIRDLY FASCINATING STORY YOU'LL NEVER FORGET!

YOU KNOW WHAT YOU MUST DO---KILL HIM!

YES! I-I'LL DO IT! NO ONE COULD SUSPECT ME!

OUTSIDE THE GRIM PORTALS OF AN ANCIENT CASTLE IN CENTRAL EUROPE---

OPEN UP! PLEASE! LET ME IN!

BAM! BAM!

M-MARTA! BUT---WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? AFTER SO MANY YEARS--- TO RETURN AT SUCH A TIME ---AND ON SUCH A NIGHT!

I HAVE COME ALL THE WAY FROM VIENNA! I MUST TALK TO SOMEONE --BEFORE I GO MAD!

CALM YOURSELF, DEAR SISTER! YOU NEED REST!

REST? HOW CAN I REST--- I WHO AM A MURDERER! I MUST CONFESS EVERYTHING-- KNOWING HOW YOU WILL BOTH LOATHE ME AFTERWARDS! LISTEN TO MY STORY-- AND BELIEVE EVERY WORD I SAY!

IT WAS A STRANGE AND FORBIDDING TALE THE DISTRACTED WOMAN TOLD! AS A YOUNG BEAUTY SHE HAD BEEN MARRIED OFF TO COUNT KRONSTADT--- A KIND, BUT OLD MAN! ONE NIGHT, IN KRONSTADT CASTLE···

THE CRIMINAL HANS DORPER WAS EXECUTED TODAY! THE WORLD IS WELL RID OF HIM ---THAT MAN WAS COMPLETELY EVIL!

I DON'T BELIEVE ANYONE IS COMPLETELY GOOD OR BAD··· THERE IS A MIXTURE IN ALL OF US!

NONSENSE! CONSIDER MY DEAR MARTA---AN ANGEL IN HUMAN FORM! SHE IS INCAPABLE OF DOING WRONG!

YOU DO ME TOO MUCH HONOR, DEAR HUSBAND!

IT HAPPENED THAT THE COUNT WAS GIVING A MASQUERADE BALL---WITH A PRIZE FOR THE BEST COSTUME! THE YOUNG WIFE FIXED UPON A STRANGE RESOLVE···

I'M SICK AND TIRED OF BEING CALLED A SWEET LITTLE HELPLESS THING! I'LL GO TO THE BALL AS ONE OF SATAN'S DISCIPLES---AND LOOK REALLY WICKED! IF ONLY I HAD A SUITABLE FAN TO GO WITH THE COSTUME···

NEXT DAY, IN AN OLD QUARTER OF THE TOWN···

CURIOSITY SHOPPE

THAT FAN---IT'S PERFECT! HOW EVIL IT LOOKS--- I MUST HAVE IT!

YES, MY DEAR COUNTESS---IT IS FOR SALE! BUT IT WILL COST YOU MUCH ---VERY MUCH··· TO POSSES IT!

I WILL RETURN TOMORROW TO PAY YOU---WHATEVER YOU ASK! BUT I SHALL TAKE IT WITH ME NOW--- FOR THE BALL TONIGHT!

ALONE IN HER ROOM---AS THE STRAINS OF MUSIC CAME FROM BELOW···

HOW STRANGE! AS SOON AS I SPREAD THE FAN BEFORE MY FACE I FELT A GLOW OF HAPPINESS--- OF RELEASE! I FEEL GAYER AND MORE FREE THAN I HAVE IN YEARS! I KNOW I'M GOING TO CREATE A SENSATION!

MARTA'S BEAUTY AND DARING DAZZLED EVERYONE···BUT NONE MORE THAN THE YOUNG OFFICER, KARL SCHIEN···

WE'VE LOVED EACH OTHER SINCE WE WERE CHILDREN, MARTA--- MUST WE BE FATED ALWAYS TO BE APART? LET'S RUN AWAY TOGETHER--- MAKE A NEW LIFE!

HUSH, KARL···, IT CAN NEVER BE!

LATER, AS MARTA SOUGHT THE SOLITUDE OF A BALCONY···

KARL'S **RIGHT**! I **LOVE** HIM--AND LIFE IS PASSING ME BY! THE COUNT IS OLD ···BUT MAY YET LIVE FOR YEARS! OH, WHAT SHALL I **DO**?

YOU KNOW **WELL** WHAT TO DO!

WHAT···! YOU···**READ MY THOUGHTS**!

DO NOT BE WEAK! YOU **HATE** YOUR HUSBAND··· AND YOU **LOVE** KARL! THEREFORE, YOU **MUST KILL**!

H-HOW CAN YOU READ MY MIND? **WHO ARE YOU**?

DON'T YOU··· **KNOW**?

TELL ME WHO YOU ARE, OR I'LL···**HUH**? SHE···**DISAPPEARED**! JUST AS I WAS GOING TO TEAR THE MASK FROM HER FACE!

M-MAYBE IT WAS ALL MY IMAGINATION! BUT IT'S **TRUE**···EVERY WORD SHE SAID! NOW I'M GOING TO TAKE MATTERS INTO MY OWN HANDS···AND KARL WILL **HELP** ME!

THE NEXT DAY WHEN MARTA WENT BACK TO THE CURIOSITY SHOP TO PAY FOR THE FAN···

STRANGE ·I'M **SURE** THE SHOP WAS RIGHT HERE! I KNOW I DON'T HAVE THE WRONG STREET···AND I REMEMBER THAT THESE TWO SHOPS WERE ON EITHER SIDE OF IT!

YOU MUST BE MISTAKEN, COUNTESS···THERE NEVER WAS SUCH A SHOP ON THIS STREET!

BUT IT **CAN'T** BE! IT WAS HERE ONLY [redacted]!

SOON AFTERWARDS···

FAREWELL, MY DEAR··· I'LL BE GONE FOR ONLY A SHORT TIME ON BUSINESS!

YOU OLD FOOL! KARL HAS SEEN TO IT THAT YOU WILL BE GONE *FOREVER!*

YES, KARL HAD TAMPERED WITH THE COACH'S BRAKE! HIGH IN THE MOUNTAINS···

HIMMEL! I CAN'T STOP THE HORSES! WE'RE GOING TO···

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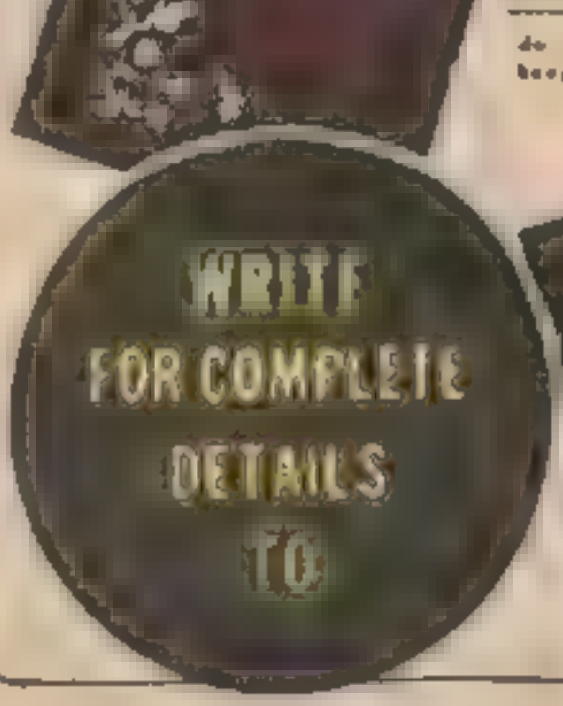

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DEEP IN THE WOODS···IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT···

MARTA, DARLING···I CAN'T BEAR OUR BEING APART FOR EVEN A MOMENT! WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!

I HAVE GOOD NEWS, KARL··· OUR TROUBLES ARE OVER!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT'S HAPPENED?

KISS ME, KARL··· KISS ME!

I'D DO ANYTHING FOR ··· AAAGH!

I'M SORRY, KARL···BUT IT'S BEST THIS WAY!

NOW TO TAKE HIS WALLET·· GO THE POLICE WILL THINK IT WAS MURDER AND THEFT! I'M IN THE CLEAR···NOW I CAN ENJOY MYSELF!

BUT MARTA·· IT'S MADNESS TO GO OFF THIS WAY! IT'S NOT PROPER··· YOU SHOULD STILL BE IN MOURNING FOR YOUR HUSBAND!

I'M THROUGH WITH HYPOCRISY, DEAR SISTER! I'M SICK OF THIS STODGY OLD TOWN! I'M GOING TO WHERE THERE'S LIFE AND GAIETY··· IN VIENNA!

MARTA FOUND WHAT SHE WANTED··· AND PLUNGED HERSELF INTO THE RIOTOUS FREEDOM OF THE GREAT CITY! FOR MONTHS HER LIFE WAS A DIZZY SWIRL OF CHAMPAGNE, DANCING, LAUGHTER ··· AND GAMBLING···

DURING ALL THIS TIME, THE STRANGE SPECTER APPEARED TO MARTA WITH GROWING FREQUENCY···ALWAYS URGING HER TO SUCCUMB TO EVERY IMPULSE! ONE NIGHT··

I MUST ECONOMIZE! MY FORTUNE IS DWINDLING RAPIDLY!

FOOL, SELL THE CASTLE! WHAT GOOD ARE ITS OLD STONES TO YOU? YOU'RE ONLY YOUNG ONCE··· DO IT!

SO SHE SOLD THE CASTLE···AND CONTINUED HER PRODIGAL WAYS! FINALLY···

I-I'VE LOST! I'VE LOST···EVERYTHING!

I-I'M RUINED···PENNILESS! I DON'T EVEN HAVE ENOUGH TO PAY THE HOTEL BILL! THIS HAS BEEN MADNESS ···AND ALL BECAUSE OF YOUR EVIL ADVICE!

DON'T SNIVEL, WEAKLING! WITH YOUR BEAUTY YOU CAN HAVE THE RICHEST MEN IN VIENNA AT YOUR FEET! IT WILL BE SIMPLE TO MARRY ONE···AND DIS-POSE OF HIM!

NO···I WON'T LISTEN TO YOU ANY MORE! THAT WAY LIES THE GALLOWS! I CAN'T DO IT!

YOU'RE FOR-GETTING THE FAN! IT WILL GIVE YOU COURAGE TO DO ANYTHING··· IF YOU WISH TO!

SO THAT'S IT! THAT FAN HAS CAUSED MY RUIN! I'LL DE-STROY IT···AND MAYBE I'LL BE RID OF YOU, TOO!

IDIOT! HOW CAN YOU EVER BE RID OF ME? DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

HERE···TAKE THE FAN BACK! IT WILL NOT BURN, FOR IT IS INDESTRUCTIBLE···FASHION-ED BY OUR DREAD MASTER SATAN HIMSELF! IT WAS HE WHO SOLD YOU IT···IN THAT SHOP LONG AGO!

AS MARTA CAME TO THE END OF HER HARROWING TALE···

SO I DASHED AWAY···AS HER WILD LAUGHTER PURSUED ME INTO THE NIGHT! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? MY VERY SOUL IS IN DANGER! I MUST CONFESS···EXPIATE MY SINS! SATAN MUSTN'T SNARE ME!

NOW, NOW, DEAR MARTA·· CALM YOURSELF! YOU'VE IMAGINED IT ALL! YOU MUST REST ··· I'LL HAVE A DOCTOR HERE IN THE MORN-ING!

WHEN THE EXHAUSED GIRL HAD BEEN PUT TO BED···

MY POOR SISTER ·· HER MIND MUST BE DERANGED! SHE WAS ALWAYS SO SWEET AND GENTLE ···HOW COULD SHE BE A MURDERER? IT'S FANTASTIC!

YOU'D BETTER GET SOME SLEEP YOUR-SELF, MY DEAR ···WE'LL DIS-CUSS IT TOMORROW!

BUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STORM-LASHED NIGHT, MARTA SUDDENLY AWAKENED···

YOU AGAIN! LEAVE ME ALONE·· PLEASE!

HOW CAN I···WHEN YOUR DREAMS TELL ME YOU NEED ME! WHAT WERE YOUR THOUGHTS? WERE THEY NOT THAT IT WAS WEAKNESS, MADNESS, TO CONFESS ALL AS YOU HAVE DONE? DO YOU WISH THE GALLOWS? BUT IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE AMENDS ···KILL THEM BOTH!

Y-YES, THOSE WERE MY THOUGHTS! BUT I CAN'T KILL MY OWN SISTER--- YOU CAN'T MAKE ME!

IT IS NOT I THAT FORCES YOU TO DO ANYTHING! FOOL, ALL ALONG YOU HAVE ASKED ME WHO I AM! NOW YOU SHALL KNOW!

AS THE DEMON REMOVED ITS MASK---

N-NO! IT CAN'T BE! YOU'RE ---ME!

YES---YOU! EVERY PERSON HAS TWO SIDES--GOOD AND EVIL! I AM YOUR EVIL NATURE ---RELEASED WHEN YOU FIRST UNFOLDED SATAN'S FAN BEFORE YOUR FACE! NOW DO YOU KNOW WHY YOU CAN'T ESCAPE ME? HOW CAN YOU ESCAPE--- YOURSELF?

THEN I-I'M DOOMED! BUT NOW I KNOW WHAT I MUST DO---SO THAT THEY CANNOT GIVE AWAY MY SECRET! THEY MUST DIE!

HERE IS THE KNIFE--- GO!

IN HER SISTER'S BED CHAMBER---

IT IS EITHER HER LIFE OR MINE ---SO WHY LINGER? SHE MUST GO ---TO HER DEATH!

BUT AS THE KNIFE BEGAN ITS DOWNWARD PLUNGE---

NO, MONSTER---YOU SHALL DIE!

BAM!

OH-HHH!

F-FORGIVE---ME! I-I COULDN'T--- HELP--- MYSELF! DEAREST SISTER---AAGH!

YOU WRETCH ---YOU'VE KILLED HER!

SHE IS AT PEACE---AT LAST! I SUSPECTED THAT HER STORY WAS TRUE---AND THAT HER EVIL WOULD DRIVE HER TO MORE GHASTLY ACTS! THANK HEAVENS I STOOD WATCH---AND PREVENTED HER FROM DESTROYING YOU!

SEVERAL DAYS LATER---

AT LEAST--- THAT TERRIBLE FAN IS BEING BURIED WITH HER! IT CAUSED ALL THIS!

NOT BY ITSELF! THERE IS GOOD AND EVIL IN ALL OF US-- AND MARTA WAS UNLUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE ALL OF HERS RELEASED!

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SUCH A SAD CASE! WILSON HAD REAL *GENIUS* AS A COMPOSER!

YES, BUT NOW ALL HE DOES IS BANG THE KEYS!

WHEN THE DOCTORS TRIED TO CALM THE LUNATIC--

NO--*NO!* YOU FOOLS-- I WAS IN THE MIDST OF A *GREAT COMPOSITION!*

YOU CALL THAT NOISE *MUSIC?* *GUARDS!*

THAT NIGHT WILSON SUFFERED A SUDDEN HEART ATTACK--

HE...HE'S DEAD! WELL, PERHAPS IT'S BETTER THIS WAY!

YES, HE'S FOUND PEACE AT LAST!

GOOD HEAVENS, WHAT'S *THAT?*

IT...IT SOUNDS LIKE--*COME ON!*

WILSON'S GHOST-- STILL PLAYING THAT DEMENTED TUNE!

IT--IT CAN'T BE! THERE'S GOT TO BE A REASONABLE EXPLANATION!

BUT NO "REASONABLE" EXPLANATION EVER ACCOUNTED FOR THE WEIRD EVENT! THE GHOST RETURNED FROM TIME TO TIME UNTIL--

I'M HAVING THE PIANO *BURNED!* PERHAPS *THAT* WILL GET RID OF THE *GHOST!*

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